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SOURCE:

- 25X1X 1. the only military medical school offering a complete six-year medical course was the Facultatea de Medicina Militara din Bucuresti. The facilities of the civilian medical school in the city were used by the military medical school; there was actually no separate school for the military.
2. The Army medical students were all Communists. About four years ago, all those students in the military medical school who were not politically acceptable were expelled from the school and only Communists remained. These students wore an Army uniform, and received pay from the Government; they could not obtain aid from their parents. Graduates of the military medical faculty in Bucharest became regular Army officers.
3. Because the Army was suffering from a shortage of physicians in 1950, the Government summoned civilian doctors to take a brief course of training for subsequent military service.

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4. Attached as Enclosure A is Source's sketch of the location of the military installations in Cluj where the military medical course was conducted in 1950. The course was actually given in the building indicated by number 6. Other points of importance on the sketch are as follows:

Point #1 A shoemaker shop and depot for military stores such as shoes and clothing.

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#2 Contained stored food and clothing. Point #3 was also a
& washroom.
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#4 A bakery which prepared bread for the military units in Cluj.

#5 A laundry.

5. The building at Point #6 was a three-story brick and concrete barracks which housed the OILA, a secret, anti-aircraft observation station. There were also lecture rooms and student rooms for courses in military training. [REDACTED]

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25X1 [REDACTED] Building 6 also contained two dormitories, a mess hall, a study hall and the office of the Commanding Officer. It contained no library.

6. The civilian physicians assigned to this course were trained for a period of four months. Each day for the first month they received training in arms and in practice shooting at a field outside the city of Cluj. Following this the course consisted of lectures only.

7. The subjects covered in these lectures were military surgery, epidemiology, and hygiene, organization of a military sanitary service, considerable theoretical treatment of military tactics, lectures on war gases, and lectures in Marxism-Leninism. Nerve gases were not mentioned. From time to time, members of the staff of the military hospital in Cluj came to the classrooms and delivered lectures on military medical topics. The director of this military medical course, Col. J. CONSTANTINESCU, was also director, in 1950, of the Cluj Military Hospital.

8. Army physicians who conducted the course included two other colonels and about 15 other officers. One was a lieutenant colonel interested in pharmacy, others were captains; there was one first lieutenant. The latter, a surgeon, was the only one of the group [REDACTED]

25X1 [REDACTED] professionally competent. At the end of the four months' 25X1
training, the physician students were placed on active duty with the Armed Forces, usually with a reserve status for a period of one year. The students in the course were considered, from the beginning, as being on active duty with the Army. After two months of the course, their appointments as first lieutenants were confirmed. [REDACTED] 25X1X

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9. In order to maintain a supply of military physicians, the Rumanian Government, [REDACTED] now drafts civilian doctors who are then given a brief four-month indoctrination period before induction into the Army.

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[REDACTED] one other place where a similar course was offered for the Armed Forces Ministry (Ministerul Fortelor Armate -- MFA) viz., at Pitesti [4451N-2451E] about 100 km. west of Bucharest.

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12. The Ministry of the Interior (Ministerul Afacerilor Interne) had a training center at Ineu, which gave a five-month course. Physicians selected for this course and Ministry were all politically reliable.
13. In the Summer of 1951, all civilian physicians in the military reserve up to the age of 50 were required to take two months' training in military medical subjects. Physicians were taken in groups for this schooling. In the Cluj regiune, this training was given at the OILA building. At the same time, a review was made of the grades held by these reservists and reassignment of rank, based on political reliability, was made. The course consisted of one month of military training and one month of lectures on military medicine and Marxism-Leninism. Attitude towards the latter lectures was given considerable importance in determining each doctor's grade.

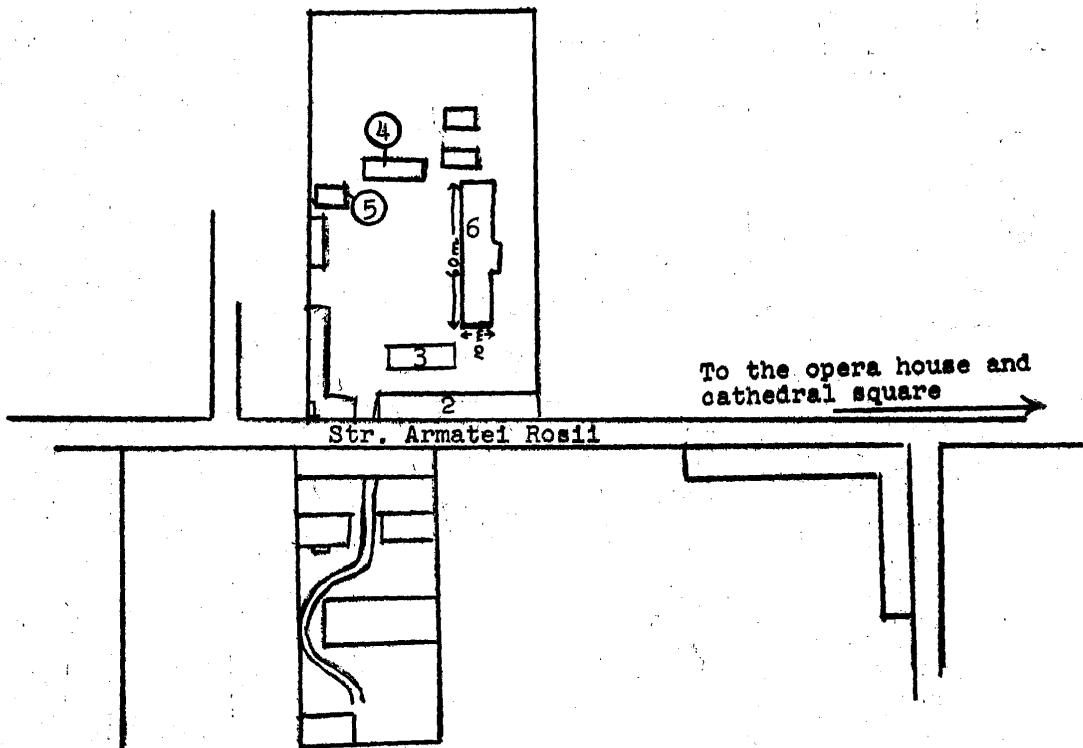
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